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Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97 and § 1.98, Applicants bring the disclosures attached and listed on completed Form PTO-1449 to the Examiner's attention and request that they be considered and made of record in this application.

Japanese Patent Publication JP-A-270605/1987 corresponds to U.S. Patent No.

4,774,303 and JP-A-287208/1994 corresponds to U.S. Patent No. 5,294,686.

Prompt examination on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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